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SUBJ: LIBYAN-ALGERIAN RELATIONS

1. PRESIDENT BOUMEDIENNE PAID 24 HOUR VISIT TO TRIPOLI
ARRIVING AUGUST 20 AND DEPARTING AUGUST 21 - 1900 HOURS.
VISIT WAS NOTABLE FOR FACT THAT BOUMEDIENNE FORMALLY
ATTIRED IN DARK SUIT WAS GREETED BY SPORTSHIRTED PRIME
MINISTER JALLOUD AND REFUSAL OF BOUMEDIENNE TO REVIEW
GUARD OF HONOR. ALGERIAN CHARGE TOLD ME LATER
BOUMEDIENNE CONSIDERABLY MIFFED BY ATTIRE OF PRIME
MINISTER IN FIRST INSTANCE AND FAILURE OF PRESIDENT
QADHAFI IN SECOND INSTANCE TO BE ON HAND FOR HIS
ARRIVAL. LIBYAN EXPLANATION WAS THAT QADHAFI THOUGHT
ARRIVAL WAS PLANNED FOR MILITARY BASE AND HE WAS WAITING
FOR BOUMEDIENNE THERE. ALGERIANS NATURALLY DID NOT BUY THIS.

2. CAN ONLY SEPCULATE ABOUT SUBSTANCE OF VISIT WHICH
WE PRESUME WAS IN THE FRAMEWORK OF PERIODIC
CONSULTATIONS BETWEEN COUNTRIES. OBVIOUSLY IT WAS TO
LIBYA'S ADVANTAGE TO HAVE ALGERIANS STOP BY IN VIEW
OF PRESSURES FROM EGYPTIANS.
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